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: POROUS SINTERED BODY OF CALCIUM PHOSPHATE-BASED

CERAMIC AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.112 IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 4, 2007

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria VA 27314

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 4, 2007, which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response until August 4, 2007.

Applicant hereby requests an extension of time for one month to extend the period for response until September 4, 2007, and Applicant is concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time for one month accompanied by the government fee. If for any reason the formal Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file at the Patent and Trademark Office and/or any extension of time and/or any fee is necessary for maintaining the pendency of the application, this is an express request for any required extension of time and authorization to charge any required fee, including any extension of time and/or claim fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the claims appear in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks being on page 6 of this paper.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record are respectfully requested in view of the remarks which follow.